



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill #	SB0372	Title:	Create wolf licenses and authorize wolf and grizzly bear lottery or auction
Primary Sponsor:	Balyeat, Joe	Status:	As Introduced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$147,500	\$147,500	\$147,500
Revenue:				
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$882,186	\$882,186	\$882,186
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Description of Fiscal Impact: The establishment of a wolf hunt, a wolf license auction, and a grizzly bear license auction is estimated to generate over \$880,000 of revenue annually for the department.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

1. The first Montana wolf hunt will be in the fall of 2008 (FY 2009) with quotas established by the FWP Commission.
2. Ten percent of the residents who purchased Sportsman's licenses in license year (LY) 2005 (with or without bear, youth, senior and military recognition) are assumed will purchase a Montana wolf license for \$19. $(57,335 \times 10\% \times \$19 = \$108,936)$
3. An estimated additional 10,000 residents will purchase a Montana wolf license. $(10,000 \times \$19 = \$190,000)$.
4. Five percent of the nonresidents who purchased Combination licenses in LY 2005 (general, outfitter sponsored, and landowner sponsored) are assumed will purchase a nonresident Montana wolf license. $(24,900 \times 5\% \times \$350 = \$435,750)$

5. Bids for the auction of a Montana wolf license will be equal to half of the bid received for a 2007 Montana deer auction license (\$15,000 x 50% = \$7,500). The FWP will use the proceeds for the management of wolves.
6. The first Montana grizzly bear license will be auctioned for a hunt in the fall of 2008 (FY 2009).
7. Bids for the auction of a Montana grizzly Bear license will be equal to the bid received for the 2007 Montana big horn sheep auction license (\$140,000). The department will use the proceeds for the management of grizzly bears.
8. Ten percent of the auction proceeds will be paid to the organization conducting the auction of the grizzly bear and wolf licenses. This amount will be recorded as a commission expense (\$147,500 x 10% = \$14,750).

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<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>				
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$147,500	\$147,500	\$147,500
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$147,500	\$147,500	\$147,500
<u>Revenues:</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$882,186	\$882,186	\$882,186
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$734,686	\$734,686	\$734,686

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date